

FISCAL NOTE

HB 167 - SB 49

February 24, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows any principal, principal-teacher, or assistant principal from any public school access to inspect juvenile court records and law enforcement records pertaining to students for the purpose of determining if a child is legally charged with a felony and if such child's continued presence in school poses a danger to persons or property or disruption to the educational process.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Less Than \$100,000

Estimate assumes additional staffing for Juvenile Courts, Juvenile Court Clerk's offices and law enforcement offices to allow access to records upon request of any school personnel specified and verifying proof of identity and position of the person seeking access to records. It is also estimated that additional students may be placed in alternative schools when information on charges is obtained before a child is adjudicated in court.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director